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The Honorable William D. Ford
Chairman
Committee on Post Office and Civil Service
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to your request for the views of the Central Intelligence Agency concerning H.R. 502, a bill to amend the Federal Property and Administration Services Act (FPASA) of 1949, to prohibit federal officials from monitoring or recording telephone conversations without the consent of all parties. Mr. Casey has asked me to respond on his behalf.

As you may be aware, the CIA provided to you in a letter its views on a bill identical to H.R. 502, which was introduced in the last Congress (H.R. 4620). I am enclosing a copy of that letter, which we have reviewed and determined that our views have not changed. In summary, as currently drafted, the legislation does not affect CIA activities because the Agency is exempt from the underlying provisions of the FPASA that would be amended by the bill. However, the legislation could adversely affect proper and necessary national security activities of other members of the Intelligence Community.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact me or [redacted] of my Office at [redacted]

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Sincerely,

/s/Charles A. Briggs

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